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a) Basic Fee					\$ 740.00
b) Independent Claims	<u>3</u>	- 3 =	<u>0</u>	x \$ 84.00 =	\$ -0-
c) Total Claims	<u>22</u>	- 20 =	<u>2</u>	x \$ 18.00 =	\$ 36.00
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